Martha Loves John; or the Mitchell Whitewash HW 9/19/72

I hasn't been possible for me to keep up with new disclosures in the Watergate crimes. (Today's Post validates my analysis that the hack Sirica would appoint himself to preside over the criminal case. His former firm, Hogan and Hartson, which has been involved in CIA representation if I remember correctly, provided some of Caddy's representation. You know, the Caddy whose name suddenly disappeared from the papers, who may have been a real-life caddy in the affair.) So, I'll merely make a few comment on the truly exceptional disclosures in the Star-News' 9/12 and 13 stories after interviewing the loving wife of the soap opera.

There is nothing about it not in every way exceptional. Not in any special order:

All that badmouthing of Martha, the nut, the alcoholic, "Republicans at the highest level have been whispering and inferring that Mrs. Mitchell is and has been 'ill'".

Martha's "dirty business" comment came after she had been asked a question by Helen Thomas "about the bugging". Because Martha was "in bed in her hotel room" when it happened, I suggest what is not addressed, that Steve King, one of 7 or 8 guards provided by McCord, was listening in.

The contempt for Martha is beyond belief. She didn't even get fed. "She said her secretary, Lea Joblonsky, took Marty out to eat but did not assist her in any way...unable to contact her husband. and she was not allowed to call for room service or a maid." Jablonsky, now employed by the committee,"who did not help her during the scuffle, told her she could eat a day-old club sandwich is she was hungry."

What does it take to get Steve King on the right turn of the world, to make a dedicated doctor:

King "threw me down and kicked me with his rubber soled shoes. The doctor didn't come until the next day. Martha then required 11 stitches. Until then she bled. The doctor didn't stitch her up. That was done evenlater, at a local hospital. King held her and the doctor gave her the shot. "What right did a doctor have to come into a room where there isn't a member of the family present and no one has requested his services?" The ~~blud~~ blood got around ("on a hotel curtain") as did a false story that she'd burned herself. She believes that with stiffness persisting today she had permanent damage to her fingers, one of which she has trouble bending and another remains so swollen she can't get any of her rings on. It seems that only because she continued to bleed on the second day and after the doctor left that King took her to the hospital."I was all covered with blood when they took me to the hospital" And "She seemed quite bitter about the fact that she had been given no food and held incommunicado for 24 hours..."

As of interview, she was not permitted out on her own balcony.

I think this really tells us the story of John's Other Life (pun). That HE KNOWS. That Martha, too, KNOWS. Will she "tell all" She laughed and said "You bet!". But, "She would not discuss" the caper.

If any appreciable part of this story of abuse of such a personage is true, then it is pretty bad stuff. None has been denied. The beating up, the eavesdropping, the lack of medical attention, the refusal of it except for sedation when 10 stitches were thereafter required, not even feeding her, keeping her prisoner, then promoting the villain in any usual story and through it all the assent of the ever-lovin' John of The Other Life are just too farout.

Does John Love Martha? Will their dream marriage fail?

Stay tuned for the next exciting chapter of John's Other Life!

(But if ever, Martha will not talk until after 11/7. Unless John's Other Life intrudes again. It is exciting, isn't it?)

↓ Hunt's lawyer Bittman also of this firm.